House Resolution No. 549

Whereas, Colonel Micheal J. Coleman will relinquish his diverse duties and responsibilities on March 20, 2002, in order to shift the focus of his life's endeavors to include retirement activities after nearly three decades of honorable military service; and

Whereas, a native of Montgomery, Alabama, Colonel Micheal Coleman received a commission as a Second Lieutenant in the Adjutant General Corps on December 19, 1975, and entered active duty on January 6, 1976; and

Whereas, during his long and illustrious military career, Colonel Micheal Coleman has lived and worked in a wide variety of geographic locations, including Stuttgart, Germany; Izmir, Turkey; Raleigh, North Carolina; Alexandria, Virginia; Washington, D.C.; and Redstone Arsenal, Alabama, where he is currently assigned as Director of Personnel and Training at the U.S. Army Aviation and Missile Command; and

Whereas, to extend and deepen his abilities and knowledge, Colonel Micheal Coleman earned a Master of Arts degree from Webster University in St. Louis and graduated from the National Defense University, Armed Forces Staff College, Joint Professional Military Education Phase II Course; U.S. Army Command and General Staff College; and the Adjutant General Officers Advanced and Basic courses; and

Whereas, Colonel Micheal Coleman is the recipient of the Legion of Merit award, Defense Meritorious Service Medal with four Oak Leaf Clusters, Army Commendation Medal with three Oak Leaf Clusters, Joint Service Achievement Medal, National Defense Ribbon, Army Staff Identification Badge, Army Parachute Badge, and Army Superior Unit Badge; and

Whereas, the beloved husband of Carolyn Ann Howard and the loving father of Paris Jerome (PJ) and Casey, Colonel Micheal Coleman is a member of Omega Psi Phi fraternity and the Adjutant General Regimental Association and is one of the Outstanding Young Men of America:

Now, therefore, be it resolved that we, the members of the Missouri House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, join unanimously to salute Colonel Micheal Coleman and to convey to him this legislative body's heartiest commendation for the time, energy, and leadership he has provided in patriotic service to his nation and sincerest best wishes as he partakes of the diverse opportunities and pleasures traditionally associated with the golden years of retirement; and

Be it further resolved that the Chief Clerk of the Missouri House of Representatives be instructed to prepare a properly inscribed copy of this resolution in honor of the retirement of Colonel Micheal J. Coleman, Adjutant General Corps.

| Representative Charles Quincy Troupe | |
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| District No. 62 | |
| I, Jim Kreider, Speaker of the House of Representatives, Ninety-first General Assembly, Second Regular Session, of certify that the above is a true and correct copy of House Resolution No. 549, adopted March 5, 2002. | lo |